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LECTOTYPE DESIGNATION FOR AEDES (STEGOMYIA) GALLOISI YAMADA WITH A NOTE ON ITS ASSIGNMENT TO THE SCUTELLARIS GROUP OF SPECIES

(DIPTERA: CULICIDAE)1, 2

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ABSTRACT—Examination of syntypes of *Aedes galloisi* Yamada confirms its assignment to the *scutellaris* group of species. A full description of the lectotype male is given.

Aedes (Stegomyia) galloisi Yamada (Fig. 1)

Aedes galloisi Yamada, 1921, Annot. Zool. Jap. 10:47 (♂*, ♀). Type locality: Sapporo, Honshu, Japan.

Lectotype hereby designated: lectotype male with associated terminalia slide (YMH-'69-81), Sapporo, Hokkaido, 18-8-1917. (S. Yamada). Deposited in the Medical Zoology Laboratory, Institute for Infectious Diseases, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan.

Male. Head.—Proboscis dark scaled, without any pale scales on the ventral side; palpus dark, slightly shorter than proboscis, with a white basal band on each of segments 2-5; those on segments 4, 5 incomplete dorsally; segments 4, 5 subequal, slender, upturned, and with only a few short hairs; antenna plumose, shorter than proboscis; clypeus bare; torus covered with white scales except on dorsal side; decumbent scales of vertex all broad and flat; erect forked scales brownish dark, not numerous, restricted to occiput; vertex with a median stripe of broad white scales, with broad dark ones on each side interrupted by a lateral stripe of broad white scales followed by a patch of white broad ones ventrally. Thorax. Scutum with narrow dark scales and a prominent median longitudinal stripe of similar white ones, the median stripe narrows slightly posteriorly and forks at beginning of the prescutellar space; there is on each side a posterior dorsocentral white line, a few narrow white scales on the lateral prescutal area and on the scutal angle area forming a curved white line along the border of the lateral prescutal area and scutal angle area and connected to the posterior dorsocentral white line, a patch of broad flat white scales on the lateral margin just before the level of the wing root and a few narrow curved white scales over the wing root; acrostichal bristles absent; dorsocentral bristles present; scutellum with broad white scales on all lobes and with a few broad dark ones at the apex of mid lobe; anterior pronotum with broad white scales; posterior pronotum with a large patch of broad white scales and some white narrow ones dorsally; paratergite with broad white scales; postspiracular area with broad white scales; subspiracular area with

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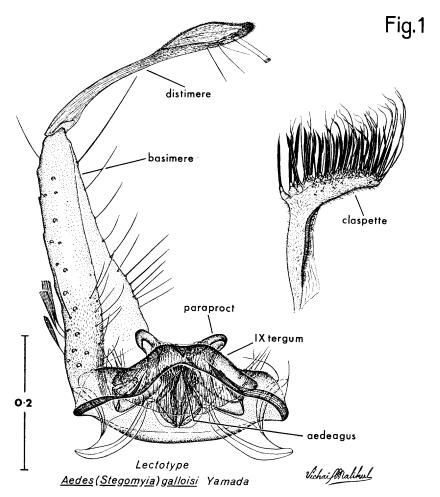


Fig. 1. Aedes (Stegomyia) galloisi Yamada, tergal aspect of the lectotype male terminalia with claspette enlarged.

white scales; patches of broad white scales on propleuron, on the upper and lower portions of sternopleuron and on the upper and lower portions of mesepimeron; mesepimeron scale patches connected; lower mesepimeron without bristles; metameron bare. Wing. With dark scales on all veins except for a minute basal spot of white scales on the costa; frist forked cell 1.5 times as long as its stem. Halter. With dark scales. Legs. Coxae with patches of white scales; knee-spots present on all femora; fore and mid femora dark anteriorly, paler posteriorly; hind femur anteriorly with a broad white longitudinal stripe which widens at base and on about the basal $\frac{3}{4}$; fore and mid tibiae dark anteriorly, paler posteriorly; hind tibia dark; fore and mid tarsi with basal white bands on tarsomeres 1, 2; hind

tarsus with basal white bands on tarsomeres 1-5, the ratio of the length of the white band to the total length of each tarsomere is 1/4, 1/4, 1/2, 3/5 and 2/3; fore and mid legs with tarsal claws unequal, the larger one toothed, the smaller one simple; hind leg with tarsal claws equal, simple. Abdomen. Abdominal segment I with white scales on laterotergite; terga III-IV each with a basal transverse white band; with lateral white spots; the lateral spots do not connect with the basal transverse bands; terga II, VII with lateral white spots only; sterna III-VI with basal white bands; sternum VIII largely covered with white scales. Terminalia. Basimere 3.5 times as long as wide; its scales restricted to dorsolateral, lateral and ventral areas; with a patch of hairs on the basomesal area of dorsal surface; mesal surface membranous; claspette with a 90° lateral distal angle in lateral aspect (dissected claspette), with a mesal distal projection forming a distinct distal mesal hook, with numerous setae and several widened specialized ones on the sternal side of the distal part; distimere simple, elongate, as long as basimere, slightly swollen near the tip; with a spiniform process and a few hairs near apex; aedeagus with a distinct sclerotized lateral toothed plate on each side; paraprocts without teeth; cercal setae absent; ninth tergum with middle part produced into a rounded lobe with shallow emargination medially and with a hairy lobe on each side.

TAXONOMIC DISCUSSION. A. galloisi is a member of the albopictus subgroup, having the supraalar white line not clearly defined and with only narrow scales over the wing root. It is very similar to albopictus (Skuse), seatoi Huang and unilineatus Theobald in having the scutum with a patch of broad flat white scales on the lateral margin just before the level of the wing root. It differs from albopictus and seatoi in scutal ornamentation and in this respect resembles unilineatus lacking, however, the white spot on the anterior surface of the mid femur of the latter. The male terminalia of galloisi, though very similar to those of subalbopictus Barraud, differ in having the claspette with stem rather narrow in lateral aspect (dissected claspette), with a distinct distal mesal hook and with numerous setae and several widened specialized ones on the sternal side of the distal expanded part.

A. galloisi Yamada was originally assigned to Group C. (scutellaris group), by Edwards (1932). Mattingly (1965) transferred it from Group C. to Group B. Based on the great similarity to members of the scutellaris group, however, it is here transferred back to the scutellaris group.

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